

Wall Creek Wildlife Management Area Proposed Addition

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 3 is seeking input and concurrence from the Regional Wildlife Managers and Supervisors regarding a small acquisition of two parcels of sub-divided land totaling approximately 11.5 acres in the Madison Valley as an addition to the Wall Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA) (Figure 1). The land adjoins the northeast corner of Wall Creek WMA on its western and southern boundaries and existing lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management on its northern and eastern boundaries (Figure 2).

The proposed WMA addition is entirely native grassland habitat and is within critical winter range for approximately 2,000 wintering elk. Given the size and location of the proposed addition, the region believes this land could be maintained as intact winter range effectively and efficiently. If this acquisition is not completed by FWP, the likely future of the land is housing development, impacting the WMA and also adjacent BLM lands.

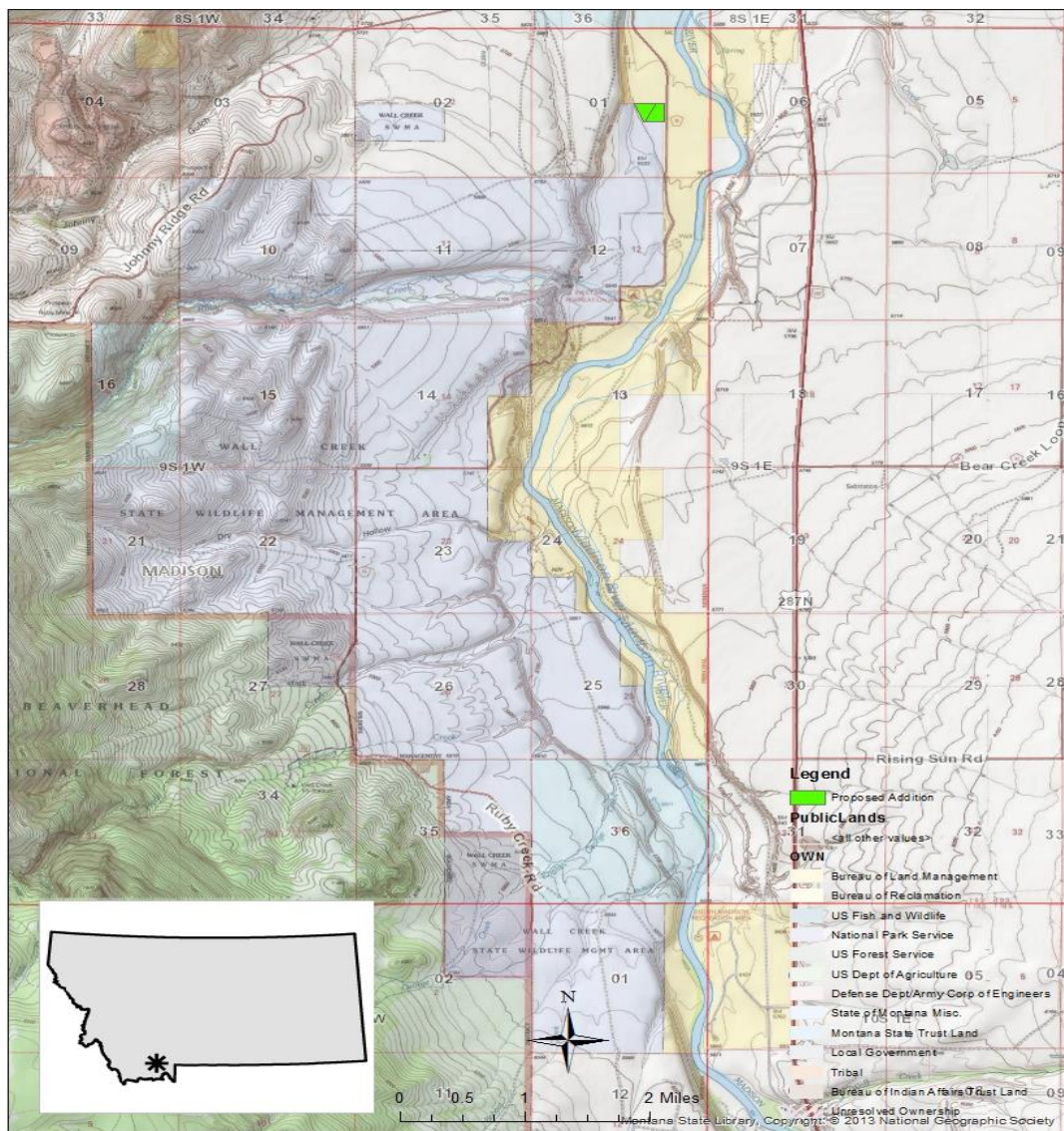


Figure 1.

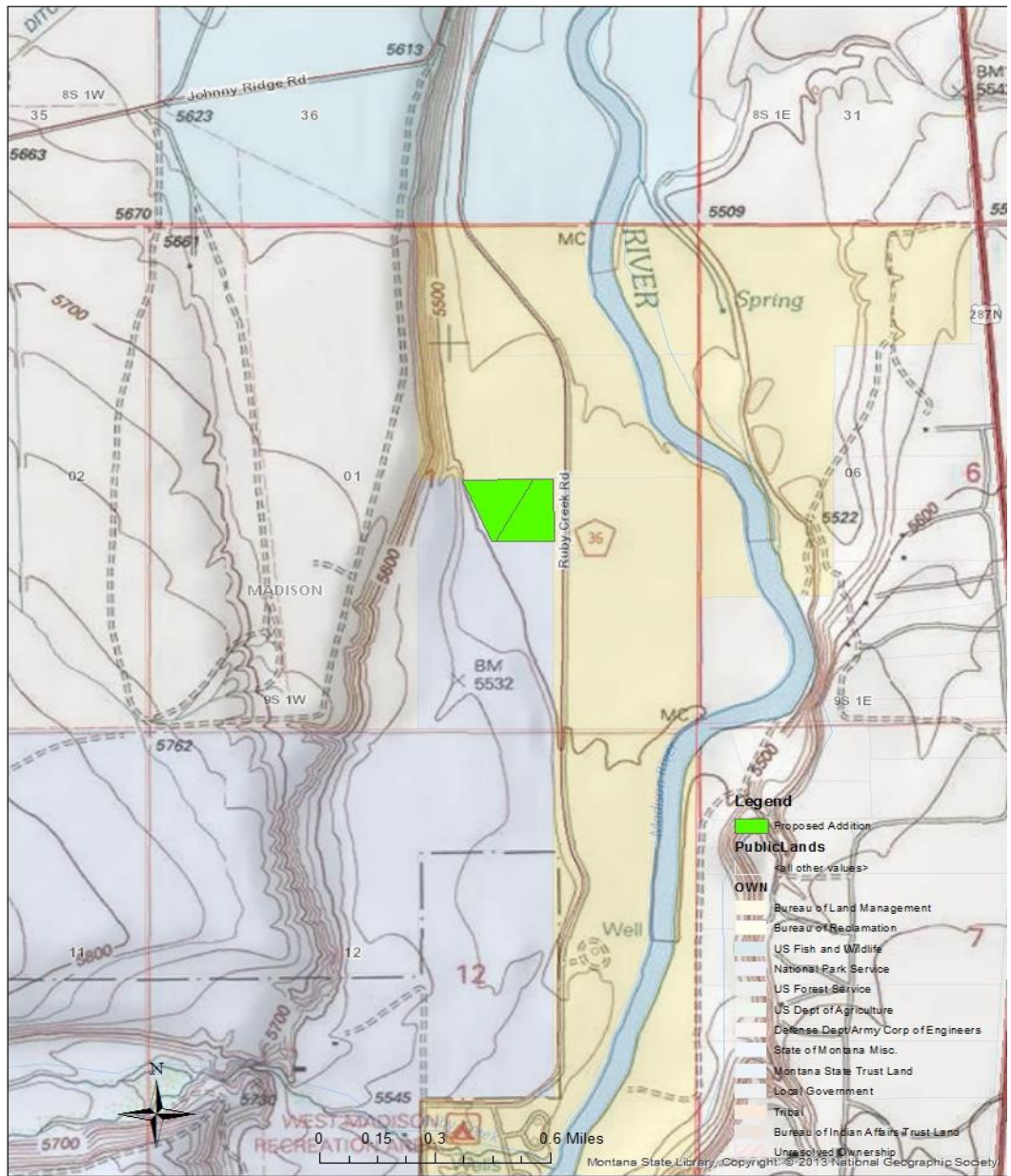


Figure 2.